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Agnos 'Cautiously Optimistic' About Senate

Assembly Passes AB1

Assembly Bill 1, the Agnos gay employment rights bill, was passed by the State Assembly June 22.

AB1 passed by a bare majority vote, 41-36. The primary opposition came from fundamentalist religious groups.

This is the first time the bill has passed the Assembly. Art Agnos (D-San Francisco) has introduced legislation four times in six years to protect lesbians and gay men from discrimination in the workplace.

"Many people are more tolerant . . . than we think on this subject," Agnos told the Assembly during debate on the bill.

AB1 would make it unlawful to discriminate in employment because of sexual orientation, just as it is now unlawful to discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sex, marital status, or physical handicap.

Religious and non-profit organizations would be exempt from the regulations imposed by AB1.

State agencies are already prohibited from discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation because of an executive order signed by then-Gov. Jerry Brown in 1979.

The University of California is also prohibited from discrimination in employment under an executive order issued by President David Saxon.

Agnos said that the Supreme Court has ruled that private employers also may not discriminate against gay men and lesbians. His bill would make it possible for someone experiencing such discrimination to file a complaint with the Department of Fair Employment and Housing instead of having to take the matter to court.

Assembly members from the Sacramento area who voted for AB1 are Tom Hannigan, Lloyd Connelly, and Phil Isenberg. Voting against the bill were Jean Moorhead and Norman Waters.

One Republican, Dr. William Filante of Greenbrae, voted in favor of the bill.

AB1 now goes to the Senate, where Agnos says he is "cautiously optimistic" about its chances for passage.★



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Dancing In The Street

A street dance followed Sacramento's Lesbian and Gay Freedom Day Parade June 18. About 1,000 people joined in the celebration. More photos on pages 6 and 7.

Western United Methodists Approve Full Lesbian/Gay Participation In Church Life

United Methodists from five Western states have approved full participation by gay men and lesbians in the church, including the ministry, according to Associated Press reports.

Delegates of the Rocky Mountain Conference from Colorado, Wyoming and Utah adopted a resolution June 9 asking that gay people be allowed ordination as ministers if they meet the same standards as other candidates. The resolution, approved by a vote of 336-200, calls sexual orientation "a personal and sacred matter." It also condemns any attempt to "degrade, deprive or condemn any person" solely on the basis of sexual orientation.

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The resolution, not binding because annual conferences cannot set ordination qualifications, is a petition asking the General Conference of the 9.6 million-member church to incorporate the proposals on gay ordination into church law, called the Methodist Discipline. Only the General Conference, which holds its next quadrennial meeting in April 1984 in Baltimore, can change the law.

United Methodist delegates from Northern California and Nevada, meeting in San Jose, approved June 17 a resolution to include "lesbians and gay men at every level" of church life.

The measure, which came from a task force studying homophobia, passed by a large majority of the more than 900 delegates. It sets the stage for a vote later on whether to seek similar language in the Methodist Discipline.

No prohibition on church participation by lesbians and gay men now exists in the Discipline.★



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The Madrigals entertained an overflow crowd June 18 at the dedication open house of the First Sacramento Women's Building, 2224 J Street. The building houses Lioness Books, the Women's Center, Rape Crisis, and Women Changing Direction.

Local AIDS/KS Foundation Forms Two Support Groups

The Sacramento AIDS/KS Foundation has formed two support groups for persons who are concerned about AIDS.

The first group is limited to people who have the lymph node, or intermediate, syndrome. Persons interested in participating in this group must have been diagnosed by a physician as having a chronic CMV infection or lymphadenopathy, and must register with the Sacramento AIDS/KS Foundation office. The office is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 448-AIDS.

The group will meet four consecutive Tuesdays beginning July 12 at 7:30 p.m. Facilitators for this group are Elizabeth Harrison, M.D., Vice-Chair and Patient Services Coordinator of the Sacramento AIDS/KS Foundation, and Jackson Peyton, Volunteer Coordinator of the Hand-to-Hand Project.

According to Peyton, "Lymphadenopathy is a frequently occurring illness in the Sacramento area. Persistent swollen lymph nodes, fatigue, and malaise characterize the condition. CMV is also common, often resulting in an illness that can deplete the sufferer physically and emotionally for long periods. Anxiety, fear, depression, and the sense of isolation may accompany these illnesses. This group will provide medical information as well as a chance to explore and share feelings through small group discussion."

The second support group is for persons who are presently well but are also worried about AIDS. This "Worried Well" group is facilitated by Marty Rogers, Ph.D., and meets every other Wednesday, beginning June 29 at 7:30 p.m. No registration to participate in this group is necessary.

Dr. Rogers commented that "this group has been established to help minimize the anxiety gay men are experiencing because of the AIDS scare. The group will help function as a place where people can share information about AIDS and function as a support group."

Both groups will meet at the office of the Sacramento AIDS/KS Foundation, 2115 J Street, Suite 3. There is no charge for participating in either of the two support groups.★

OPINION

The Lesson Of The Parade

"Coming Out '83," Sacramento's Lesbian and Gay Freedom parade, attracted a small but enthusiastic and energetic crowd on Saturday evening, June 18.

It is unfortunate that apparently many people did not know when the parade was, or even that it was going to happen. There seems to have been a major breakdown in communication.

Some people commented that they had read of Governor George Deukmejian's refusal to proclaim Lesbian and Gay Freedom Week and assumed that that meant the local parade was off.

Others complained that press releases were not sent out early enough so that the parade schedule could be included in all the local gay media.

Another common complaint was that there were no posters in popular gathering spots such as the bars announcing the parade.

In response to all this, people close to the parade committee asked, "What do you expect when three people are left to do all the work?"

Well, for one thing, we do not expect that three people should be left to do all the work. If, as another local newspaper has estimated, the gay population of metropolitan Sacramento is 80,000 people, it's a bad joke that three people were left to organize the parade.

It's no wonder there was a serious breakdown in communication.

There's a lesson to be learned from this: Planning for Lesbian and Gay Freedom Week and the parade needs continuous, regular, dependable, community-wide participation.

It means that this year's committee should begin right now to recruit a group of women and men to work on next year's celebration.

They should set a date now—preferably one that we can count on being the same year after year. They should decide what kind of out-of-town participation they want—such as a band, or other marching groups, or celebrities—and invite them now.

They should set up a timetable for getting things done—speakers confirmed by this date, parade announcements mailed by this date, parade entries confirmed by this date, press releases sent by this date, posters up by this date, and so on.

They should distribute responsibility, so that no one has to do everything, and they should make sure that the responsible people follow through.

They should make special efforts to ensure participation from all segments of the community—political groups, sports groups, health groups, social groups, ethnic groups, women's groups, men's groups, student groups, religious groups, bars, businesses, and individuals.

They say that hindsight is 20/20, and it's true that it's easier to say afterward what should have been done. But it's also said that if we don't learn from the past we are condemned to repeat it.

Next year has special significance—1984 is the 15th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots, the beginning of the modern gay and lesbian liberation movement that we celebrate each June. It's also the year made famous by George Orwell's prophetic novel of totalitarian domination and mind-control, the antithesis of what lesbians and gay men celebrate each June.

The celebration of Lesbian and Gay Freedom Week is too important for our community to repeat past mistakes. Let's take up the challenge now to work together to make next year's celebration Sacramento's biggest and best ever.★

How To Get Publicity

The author of a play being produced locally called The Star recently to ask why the gay media were ignoring his play, accused us of bias, and concluded by asking us not to mention the play, whose run had been extended, in any future issue.

This incident points up a continuing problem with publicity in our community. Individuals and organizations want to get the word out about their meetings and performances and other events. The gay media are glad to help; that is one of our main purposes.

But, with our limited staff and relatively long deadlines—two weeks before publication for the monthly papers and one week before publication for The Star—we need your announcements and press releases well ahead of when the events will occur.

For example, we recently received on a Monday a press release announcing an open house on the Friday of the same week. If someone else from that organization had not already delivered the information to us, it would not have been in that week's Star. As it was, the organization wasted its time and money sending us a press release we couldn't use.

In the case of the irate author who telephoned The Star's editor at midnight, we had received no information at all about his play, although posters were up in various businesses. Going by the announced dates on the posters, we decided not to cover the play's opening because it would have been closed before our next issue was published, and because we judged that the events of Lesbian and Gay Freedom Week were the most important news stories of the weekend.

Because we do not have a large staff, and because none of our staff work full-time for The Star, we must pick and choose in this way. We cannot pick up on every possible event of interest to the lesbian and gay community. We depend heavily on press releases to bring events to our attention, and then we decide how best to deploy our resources for covering the events people have taken the trouble to tell us about.

To sum up, the rules for getting publicity in The Star are simple:

1. *Show an interest.* Call, or better yet, send a letter, press release, or announcement.
2. *Meet deadlines.* The deadline for the next issue is printed on the front page of every issue of The Star, along with the date of the next issue. If you have frequent events to publicize, give us a call and we'll send you a publication and deadline schedule for the rest of the year.
3. *Be interesting.* Make your announcement or press release attractive and informative. The better it looks and the sooner it tells us what's important, the better the chance that we'll use it.
4. *Be brief.* Make your press release clear, easy to read, and to the point. Don't try to inflate a simple meeting into an earth-shaking convocation. Don't get carried away with the sound of your own eloquence; it will probably be edited out anyway. We just need the facts: what, when, where, who, and why.
5. *Name a contact person.* Clearly print on your press release the name and phone number of the person we can call to get further information, to arrange for photographs or press passes, and so on. We decide from the facts you provide how we will handle the story, and we may need someone to help us.
6. *Be considerate.* You might want to give us a call to make sure we got your announcement and to check if there's anything else we need. Be cooperative, not demanding, and we'll try to do the same.

The gay media exist to inform the community. We can help you reach many more people, in a more polished and professional way, than you or your organization can by yourself. But we need your cooperation. So before you complain about our bias or charge us with ignoring you, give us a chance by letting us know what we can do for you.★

Letter

Urges Hepatitis Vaccination

Editor:

I have taken the Hepatitis-B Vaccine. The decision was in part a selfish one to protect myself against the small risk of a devastating disease. I think every gay man with a typical number of acquaintances knows of someone who has been hospitalized with Hepatitis-B. The other day I learned an apparently healthy friend figures his life expectancy is five years shorter because of his serious case of Hepatitis-B several years ago. So I think the vaccine is a cost effective insurance for me.

Another reason to take the vaccine was ethical. People criticize the high cost ($130 through my personal physician). If those who can afford it will get vaccinated, they will make the world a little safer for everyone involved with them. There is a moral responsibility to do whatever we can to avoid transmitting disease.

Preventive medicine just isn't this culture's style. We can be shown the logic of it, but we don't feel the necessity or have the habit of practicing it. The consequences of neglecting this opportunity, however, are severe.

I'm grateful that our community has this vaccine to protect us against Hepatitis-B. As a community we need to make each other aware of our risk and the value of getting vaccinated, because we do care.

G. TEXAS FITZGERALD

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Former Representative Heads GRNL AIDS Lobby Task Force

The Gay Rights National Lobby has announced that former Congressman Jim Corman will head a special AIDS Lobbying Task Force. The task force is expected to significantly assist the short-staffed Lobby in dealing with the many AIDS-related measures on Capitol Hill, as well as bringing considerable extra clout to GRNL's AIDS lobbying efforts.

Joining former Rep. Corman are Judy Goldsmith, the President of the National Organization for Women (NOW) and Dan Bradley, former President of the national Legal Services Corporation. Allan Jonas, the former President of the American Cancer Sociey, has agreed to serve as a Special Advisor to GRNL on its AIDS efforts. GRNL's Executive Director, Steve Endean, indicated that other prominent community leaders may also soon join the AIDS Task Force.



Former Rep. Jim Corman

Rep. Corman represented the San Fernando (CA) Valley for 20 years. During his time in Congress, Corman was a leading advocate of both Civil Rights and national health insurance. During his last four years in Congress, he served as Chair of the influenctial Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. Since leaving Congress, he has become a partner in the law firm of Charles Manatt (Chair of the Democratic National Party) and now spends extensive time lobbying Capitol Hill.

"We are extremely fortunate to have someone of Congressman Corman's stature, experience, and ability playing a leading lobbying role for us on AIDS," commented Steve Endean. Former Members of Congress are often the most sought-after lobbyists because of the relationships they build while in Congress and because of their knowledge of the Hill.

The National Organization for Women has agreed to put its full clout into the AIDS fight. With their strong grassroots constituency and important political involvement, NOW's support and participation is seen as very important.

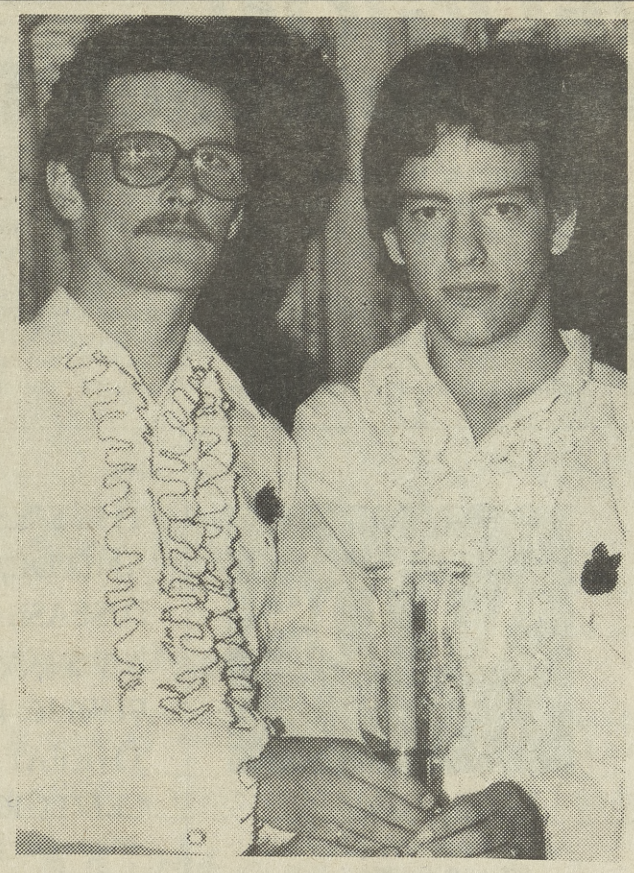
Joining Corman and Goldsmith is Dan Bradley, the former President of the Legal Services Corporation, who has come out publicly as a gay man. When he headed the embattled Legal Services program, he masterminded one of the strongest lobbying efforts in recent memory to save legal aid for the poor against attacks by the Reagan Administration and the New Right.

Anyone wishing to contribute support to GRNL's Aids Project, its AIDS Special Task Force or other programs of GRNL should write: GRNL, P.O. Box 1892, Washington, DC 20013, or call (202) 546-1801.★

Holy Union

Ronnie Rowe (left) and Eldon Call celebrated their Holy Union on June 4. Fr. Craig of St. Jude's Orthodox Catholic Church performed the ceremony. The couple said they hoped the union would strengthen their commitment.

Star Photo by Ronnie Armenta



Man Kills Lover's Father In Dispute Over Lifestyle: Voluntary Manslaughter Verdict

An Ontario, Calif., man who admitted killing his lover's father during an argument over the father's attitude toward his son's lifestyle was sentenced to six years in prison June 14, The Associated Press reported.

John Altimirano, 24, pleaded guilty May 12 in West Valley Municipal Court to a charge of voluntary manslaughter, although originally charged with murder. The charge was amended because the killing "was done in the heat of passion" and "it was clear the facts fit voluntary manslaughter," said Deputy District Attorney Clyde Boyd.

Dave Cervantez, 25, said his father, Ed Cervantez, 61, "was having a hard time accepting that I'm gay" and was trying to "tell me off and I kept insisting he should leave."

Altimirano joined the argument and, a short time later, fired three or four shots toward the ground to "scare off" the elder Cervantez, the D.A. said. One of the bullets hit Cervantez in the chest.★

Congress Considers 14 Bills Dealing With AIDS, National Gay Lobby Works Hard To Build Support

More than 14 bills dealing with the AIDS crisis have been introduced in Congress and are moving their way through the legislative process. The AIDS Project, an affiliate of the Gay Rights National Lobby, is working intensely to help arrange passage of research funding blls, patient health care benefits bills, and research expediting bills.

The most important and fastest moving bills include:

The Waxman and Cranston Bills, HR 2713 and S 1226 Rep. Henry Waxman (D-CA) introduced a bill earlier in this session calling for creation of a $40 million emergency fund to be used by Health and Human Services agencies to combat "public health emergencies." Sen. Alan Cranston (D-CA) then introduced a Senate companion bill.

Waxman's bill was amended to create a $30 million fund, and then passed his Subcommittee on Health and the Environment with only one negative vote. The full Energy and Commerce Committee also passed the Waxman bill on voice vote. It is expected to come up on the House floor in June and, with continued lobbying pressure from The AIDS Project and other groups, observers expect it to pass.

Cranston's bill has had more trouble due to the fiscally conservative Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee. Action on Cranston's bill is expected later in the session, however.

The Boxer Bills, HR 2762 and HR 2763 Rep. Barbara Boxer (D-CA) introduced two bills to replace similar AIDS research funding bills written by the late Rep. Phil Burton (D-CA), one of the strongest supporters of gay rights and AIDS funding in Congress. HR 2762 calls for $10 million for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) AIDS research in fiscal year 1984 (FY 84). HR 2763 calls for $20 million for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) research in FY 84.

Rep. William Natcher (D-KY), chair of the House Appropriations Subcommittee, has agreed that AIDS needs a great deal of attention in FY 84. Key appropriations staff members predict that the Boxer bills will be adopted in some form by the Appropriations Committee when it writes the HHS Appropriations Bill sometime in June or July. There are no Senate companion bills at this time, but the existing Senate Health and Human Services appropriations bill could be amended to include measures similar to the Boxer bills.

The Waxman and Kennedy Amendments HR 2350 and S 773 Rep. Waxman, who has probably done more on AIDS than any other member of Congress, wrote an amendment requiring NIH to establish expedited procedures for public health emergency research. It currently takes NIH, the largest medical research organization in the world, more than a year to fund and begin research projects, due to its extensive peer review system. Waxman's amendment was overwhelmingly adopted by his Health/Environment Subcommittee and by the full Energy/Commerce Committee.

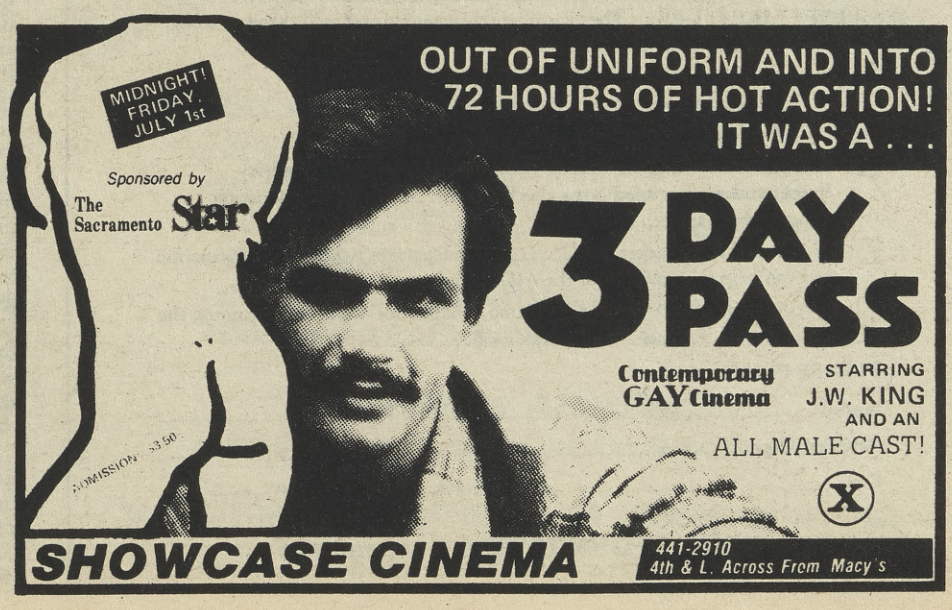
Waxman's amendment is part of the full NIH Reauthorization Bill, which is controversial because of its fetal research provisions and other new requirements. Despite these controversial items, the public health emergency amendment is not expected to meet any opposition, and key staff members are predicting passage of the full bill before the end of the session.

Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA) has introduced an amendment which is identical to the Waxman version. It has also progressed well, easily passing the Labor and Human Resources Committee. It is expected to pass on the floor, although the bill of which it is a part is also controversial because of other provisions.

The Weiss Bill, HR 2880 Rep. Ted Weiss (D-NY) has introduced the first bill which would actually help AIDS victims directly. His bill calls for automatic Medicaid eligibility for AIDS patients. This would help alleviate the huge medical costs associated with AIDS (more than $60,000 on average per patient). Weiss's bill faces an uphill battle because automatic eligibility has only been authorized for one other disease. His staff remain optimistic, however.

There are several other AIDS bills. Persons can get more information on all the AIDS bills by writing or calling: The AIDS Project, P.O. Box 1892, Washington, DC 20013, phone (202) 546-1801.★







RELIGION

New Approach To SF Gay/Lesbian Catholics

By JAMES K. GRAHAM

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of San Francisco has adopted a new policy for pastoral ministry to gay and lesbian Catholics.

A 42-page report, "Ministry and Homosexuality in the Archdiocese of San Francisco," was made public June 6.

The report, approved by Archbishop John Quinn, says that gay men and lesbians should be treated with the same compassion and understanding afforded other members of the church.

Although the report says that "homosexual orientation is not held to be a sinful condition," Archbishop Quinn said in a statement released with the report that the church "can never" accept homosexual lifestyles that endorse sexual activity.

"But homosexual persons should be treated like anyone else," Quinn added. "They should be helped, assisted, encouraged to live a Christian life and never be held in contempt in society."

The report says that "chastity is a virtue of responsibility" for heterosexuals and homosexuals, and that it does not mean "that one must change this (homosexual) orientation. Rather, it entails living out the demands of chastity within that orientation."

This seems to differ from the church's position in recent years, which has been that gay men and lesbians must be celibate. Celibacy is defined as "abstention from sexual intercourse," while chastity is "abstention from unlawful sexual intercourse" or "purity in conduct and intention."

The Rev. Miles Riley, the spokesman for the archdiocese, said, however, that the report "is traditional church teaching. We are all sinners and we're all on the way to God."

Two important new emphases in the report are the compassion it mandates from clergy in dealing with gay people and its statement that the place where ministry to gay people is most effective is in the parish.

"We must work to ensure that all of the parishes in the archdiocese are communities of faith where homosexual men and women will feel welcome, where they will see themselves as genuinely an important part of the church," the report says.

It warns the clergy against judging gay people as a group separate from all members of the church, who are human and subject to human frailties. It says that everyone should be encouraged to live a Christian life, and that clergy should recognize that lapses do occasionally occur.

"Many homosexual people find their lives to be lonely and their sexuality to be a burden," the report says. "While this is not so in all cases, it is a fact in many instances. It is this need for closeness and intimacy that leads the homosexual person to seek a stable relationship with another person. Homosexual people fall in love. And as long as this is so, sexual activity might occasionally occur."

The report continues, "The principle of gradualism recognizes this fact and assists the person toward a progressive assimilation of the church's ethical values.

"Pastoral judgements can never be made in the abstract, therefore, but always within the concrete circumstances of this person's life."

The report says, "The label of 'homosexual' often places gay people in a category of misfits, a deviant group, that leads to misinformation, exclusion, and sometimes to violence against them. The church opposes this."

It also seeks to dispel negative and stereotypical myths about gay people, such as that they are child molesters, oversexed and licentious, unstable, and recognized easily.

The Rev. E. John Hilgert, a chaplain of Dignity/Sacramento, told The Star that he thinks the report "is an attempt to put out a document clearly backing the official orientation/behavior dichotomy, but it does seem to move forward some on integration of gay/lesbian people in parishes. The kicker, though, will be the question of appropriate lifestyle to function in parish ministries."

Kevin Calegari, media coordinator for Dignity/San Francisco, said the chapter was reserving comment until it could review the report.

He said, "We're glad it's out, and we'll make a prayerful and thoughtful response as believing Catholics. There has been prejudice and oppression by the church. If there was a change in policy, it would be cause to rejoice."

A source at the archdiocesan office told the San Francisco Chronicle that "there are many gay people who say that because I am a homosexual, God made me that way, and therefore the church should accept all homosexual activities between consenting adults.

"That, of course, is a real problem for those people. But the church must be consistent. It cannot have one standard of morality for one group and another for a second."

It may be that this new report, despite Archbishop Quinn's statement that the church can never accept gay sexual activity, does leave the door open for some acceptance in the future. Conceivably, a gay or lesbian relationship in which the partners did not have sex outside the relationship could be construed as "chaste," just as a heterosexual marriage in which the partners do not have outside sex is considered chaste.

Riley, the archdiocesan spokesman, said that the response to the report has been mostly favorable.

"It's an effort to eliminate the 'we' and 'they,'" he said. It isn't 'we' and 'they.' It is us together."★

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Womyn's Church Becomes Chrysalis Neighborhood Church, Expands Ministry

The Womyn's Church has become Chrysalis Neighborhood Church, its pastor, the Rev. Jean Hart, recently announced.

Expanding its ministry to include lesbian, gay, and non-gay persons, Chrysalis Neighborhood Church offers inclusive worship services encompassing the liberal Christian tradition and grounded in basic biblical beliefs.

Use of contemporary liturgy explores and emphasizes the relevance of God to individual lives in today's world. A basic orientation toward reality and an all-encompassing inclusivity energize each service/activity and characterize the group's basic committment to the sharing of God's love for all persons. Chrysalis Neighborhood Church actualizes part of this committment by continuing to become faithful in solidarity with the struggles of women, people of color, the poor, the hungry, lesbians and gays, and others striving to be free.

Recognizing that many lesbians and gays have separated from the church over unanswered questions/problems, the church plans a series of workshops to explore these complex issues. Some of the topics to be discussed are Lesbians/Gays and God, Sacred Exclusion, and Belief Systems. The first of these efforts, scheduled for Thursday, August 11, 1983 at 7 p.m. will deal with God and homosexuality.

Chrysalis Neighborhood Church has evolved from the Womyn's Church to its present emphasis on God's relationship to both male and female persons.

Clearly defined worship space, office hours, and phone availability have been established. And safe space has been provided for lesbians and gays to seek help in finding other available resources and in exploring spiritual and social needs. A neighborhood coffee gathering is scheduled every Sunday night at 8:30 p.m. to further these goals. Rev. Hart emphasizes that all persons are welcome and encouraged to attend and/or become a part of this expanding church group.

Sanctuary space for worship services, which are held Sundays at 7 p.m., is in the rear of 3701 1st Avenue, Sacramento. Rev. Hart's office hours are Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Wednesday evenings, 7 to 10 p.m., at the same address. The church may be contacted by telephone at (916) 736-1056 during those hours.★

Heavy Metals Contaminate Former Palm Iron Works Site

State health officials reported on June 6 that a downtown Sacramento property—the former location of the Palm Iron Works in the block bounded by R,S, 15th and 16th Streets—is contaminated with heavy metals. Preliminary test results show lead contamination as high as 365,000 parts per million (ppm).

The State Department of Health Services has posted the property with signs which state: "Caution! Hazardous Waste Area. Unauthorized Persons Keep Out." The Department is cautioning the public to stay off the property to avoid exposure to the lead, as well as to barium, chromium and zinc, which have been found at levels several hundred times higher than is deemed safe for human health.

The Department has informed the current property owners, the RJB Company, that the site must be fenced; any use of the property, including vehicle parking, must cease; hazardous wastes subject to wind dispersal must be contained, and the extent of the contamination must be evaluated and the contamination cleaned up.

A site investigation revealed evidence of paint contamination, fine particulate matter subject to wind dispersal, and an open sump containing water contaminated with organic material.

Alex Kelter, M.D., of the Department's Epidemiological Studies Section, said the lead contamination poses the most significant health threat, especially to young children under age five when they are most sensitive to the destructive processes that lead can produce in the nervous system, kidneys, bone marrow and reproductive system.

Local health officials have been informed of the heavy metals contamination.

The public is advised to stay away from the site.

The Department's Toxic Substances Control Division will be investigating the site to further evaluate the extent of contamination and devise remedial plans. ★



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San Francisco Parade

More than 200,000 lesbians and gay men celebrated Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day in San Francisco June 26. Complete photo coverage in The Star's July 13 issue.

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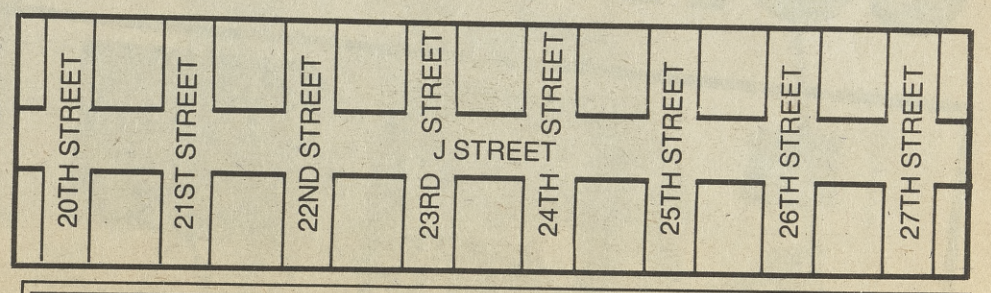
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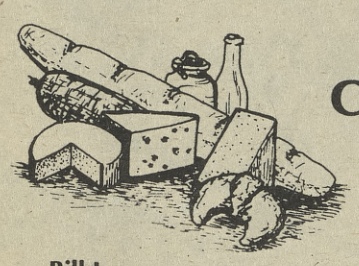


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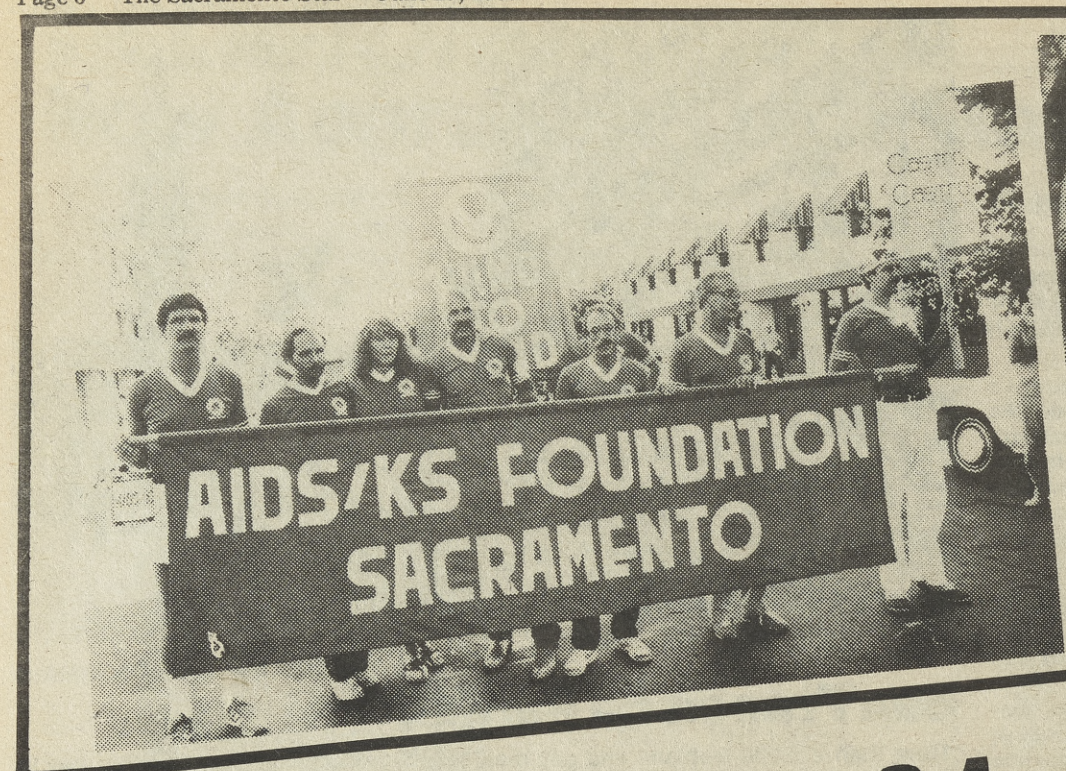
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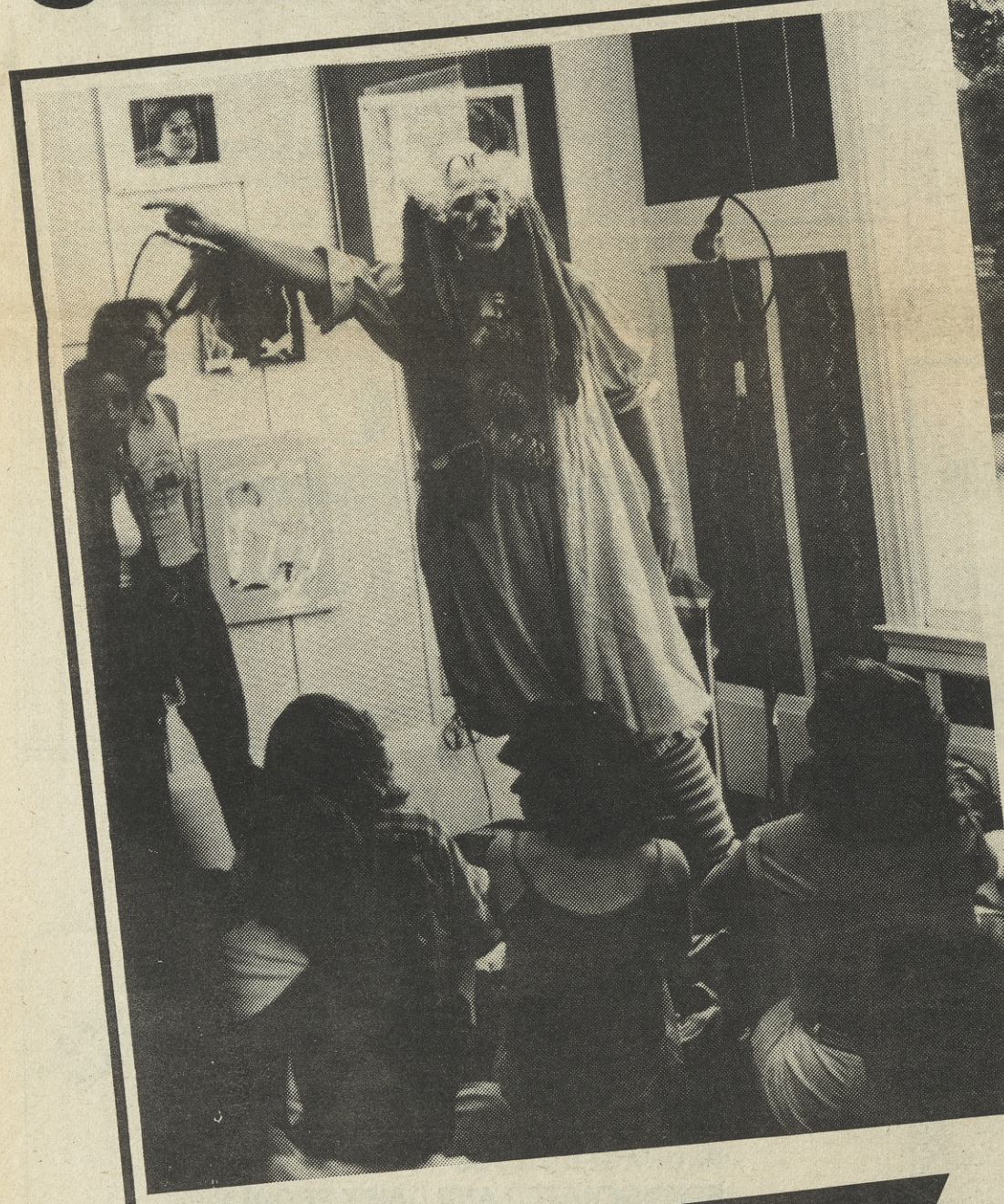
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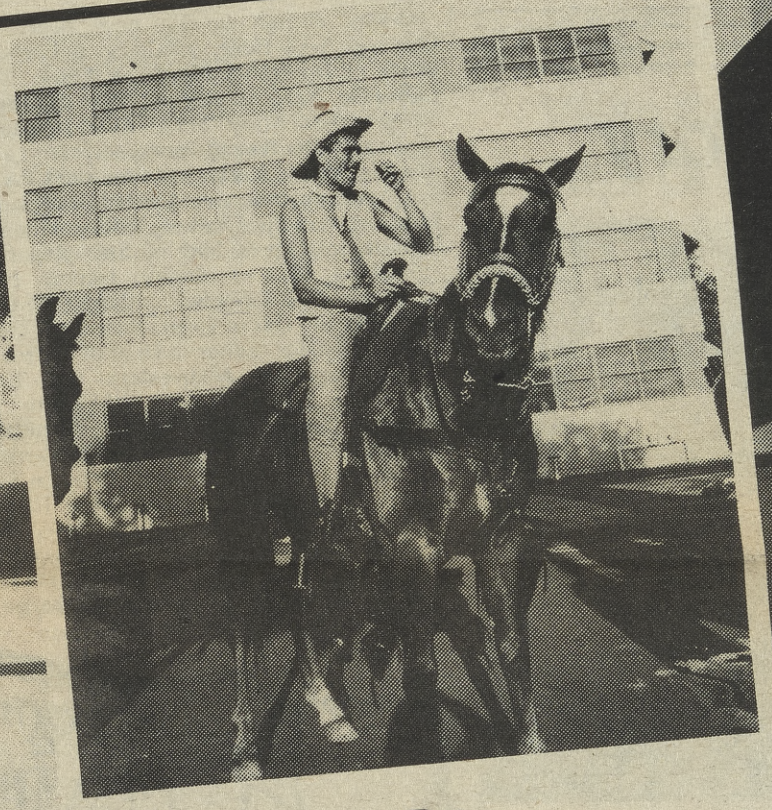




Sacramento celebrated Coming Out '83, its fifth annual Lesbian and Gay Freedom Week, June 11-18. Activities during the week included a fund-raiser for Anne Rudin's campaign for mayor (far right); a community forum sponsored by Our Community United, featuring Assemblymember Art Agnos (bottom center); and the dedication of the First Sacramento Women's Building (far left); and the parade. Honorary Grand Marshall Allen Chamberlin marched with his partner Joe Shields, protesting his employer's refusal to grant them the same benefits as a heterosexual married couple. The equestrian unit entered by the Power Plant won the trophy for best commercial entry and the prize for best non-profit entry went to the local AIDS/KS Foundation.

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Oxford Women Tell Of Sex Harassment, Rape By Men Tutors

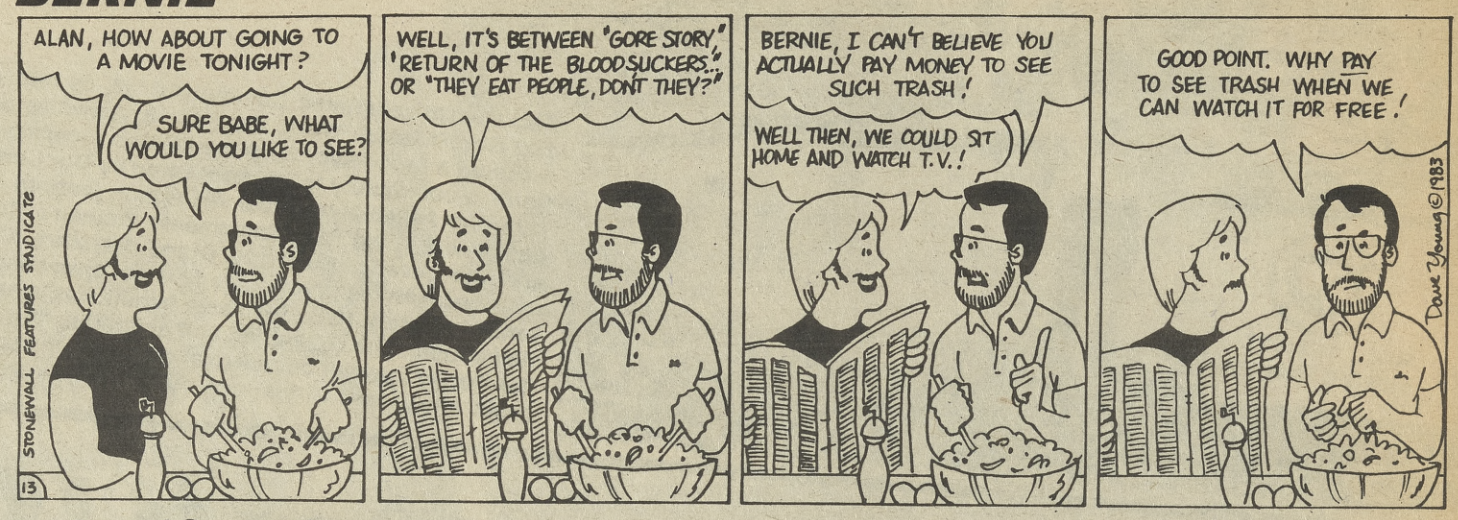
Some undergraduate women at Oxford University in England have been sexually harassed, and even raped, by their male tutors, according to a study reported June 2 by The Associated Press.

Ten percent of the university's 3,000 women undergraduates replied to a questionnaire. Of the 300 who replied, 41 complained of sexual harassment. Twenty-two of the cases allegedly involved tutors or "dons," said a spokeswoman for the University Student Union's Women's Committee, which compiled the results.

"Many women suffer verbal abuse and physical assaults, from touching, groping and kissing to propositions of sex, and finally rape," said Debbie Cameron of the committee.

A number of women said they did not complain for fear of reprisals in their academic life, Cameron said. She added: "Obviously, we await the replies from the other 2,700 women with great interest." ★

BERNIE



3rd Annual Convention

Gay Press Association Elects Officers, Gives Awards

At the Gay Press Association's Third Annual Convention held April 29-May 1 in Philadelphia, Mark Segal was elected president, defeating D.C. journalist Larry Bush and **Big Apple Dyke News** publisher/editor Susan Cavin. Segal is publisher and managing editor of the **Gay News** of Philadelphia and served as GPA's vice president the last two years.

Others elected to the new Board of Directors were Henry McClurg, publisher/editor of Houston's **Montrose Voice**, **The Dallas Gay News** and editor of **Out in Texas**, vice president; Mary "Staci" Aker, treasurer of Miami's **The Weekly News,** secretary; and Morgan Pinney, freelance writer and CPA in San Francisco, treasurer. Elected as Regional Directors were Roy Lindberg, editor of the **GP Reporter** and president of Star Reporter Publishing Co. of Staten Island, NY, Northeast; Jack Campbell, publisher of **Out in Florida** and **Out in Texas**, Southern; Tony Rome, publisher/editor in chief of Detroit's **Cruise Magazine**, Midwestern: and Don Pintacura, publisher/managing editor of Phoenix's **The Western Express**, Western.

Other new Directors are Steve Warren, freelance entertainment writer based in San Francisco, National Caucus; Susan Cavin, publisher/editor of New York City's **Big Apple Dyke News** (B.A.D. News), Director at Large: and Bob Craig, publisher of Los Angeles' **Frontiers**, also Director at Large.

At the business meeting, the membership approved and adopted the following resolutions:

- The GPA Standards of Professionalism, which call for freelancers and publishers to follow specific guidelines assuring a higher level of fairness in their dealings;
- Outreach to women, minorities and low-income members;
- A prohibition of free non-news material on the GPA Wire Service, assuring continued improvement of the quality and level of renumeration for GPA member writers;
- A condemnation of the **New York Times** for its failure to report discriminatory closings of lesbian bars in NYC, police brutality at "Blue's", and its refusal to use the words "gay" and "Ms." editorially;
- A call for voluntary financial disclosure of officers and employees of any gay/lesbian organization which has an annual budget of over $200,000 or employing salaried personnel earning in excess of $18,000;
- A call for all gay/lesbian organizations to allow the gay/lesbian media access to their board meetings; and,
- A recommendation that all GPA member publications refrain from accepting advertising which discriminates on the basis of race. ★

BOOKS

A Boy's Own Story

"A Boy's Own Story" by Edmund White. E.P. Dutton, Inc., Hardcover, 13.95

Reviewed by RICK RUMAN

It was a pleasure to read a book about gay people that I did not want to put down and that does not put down gay people.

In *A Boy's Own Story*, Edmund White proves that he is a wonderful and talented writer; a master of poetic phrasing. Listen to his description of a motorboat ride across a New England lake on a summer night:

"The night, intent seamstress, fed the fabric of water under the needle of our hull, steadily, firmly, except the boat wasn't stitching the water together but ripping it apart in two long white shreds."

Writing of this sort is a welcome relief from the recent state of novels that seem to be little more than badly fleshed out skeletons of former screenplays.

Of course the best poetic writing is worthless if we have only a beautiful but delicate surface which cannot support the weight of a story. White has avoided this pitfall. In the unnamed hero of *Story*, White has given us a character with whom most men who grew up feeling "different" will be able to identify at some point.

The first crush on the boy who enjoyed the sex but remained emotionally distant:

"That night he came to my bed again but I irritated him by trying to kiss him. 'I don't go for that,' he said brusquely."

The worry over doing the right thing to be accepted and popular:

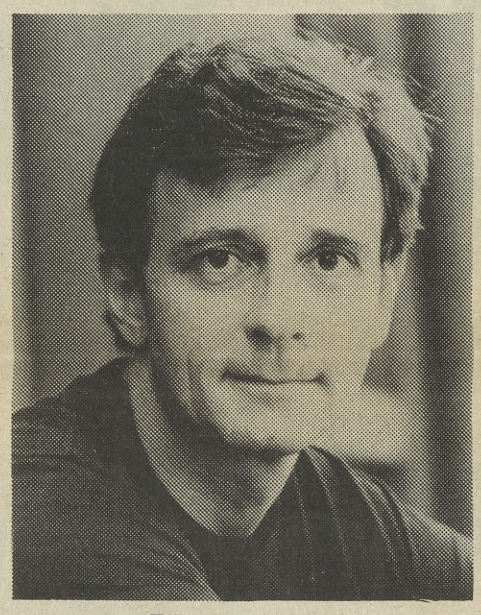
"Am I boring Tommy? Will he mind if I rest my elbow on his shoulder? Should I powder my white bucks or keep the scuff marks? How low should I let my jeans ride?"

White's skill lies in making the reader see such things not as exclusively gay concerns but as thoughts entertained by everyone at one time or another and simply given an added dimension for gay people.

This is not a gay *Catcher in the Rye*; we are never mired down in adolescent concerns, and the hero is self-conscious enough most of the time to give us his thoughts and analysis — as well as his emotional reactions — so that the book speaks to all readers; not just those who clearly remember their adolescence or those who, no matter their age, are still struggling through it.

This is not surprising in light of White's comments in a recent essay in *Mother Jones* magazine. "The charge that we're adolescent never seems condescending to me, since I have no contempt for the time of life when friendships are most passionate."

White's portrait of the boy's father (a corpulent, cigar-smoking man given to working all night and then breakfasting on a pound of bacon, half a dozen eggs and eight



Edmund White

slices of toast) and their relationship is masterful. Indeed, each character is so finely drawn that the details White provides lead us to make our own assumptions about the unrevealed portions of their lives — just as we might do when we meet or see other people each day.

A book as fine as this should not be limited to a gay audience. It is a book everyone can read with enjoyment and for enlightenment. Read it and recommend it to your non-gay friends. ★

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ENTERTAINMENT

'Lianna'—Strong, Sensual, Sensitive, Compelling, And Painfully Realistic

Reviewed by JUDITH WESSEL

"Lianna" is about a woman in her early thirties. She is married to a teacher and has two children, 13-year-old Spencer, and eight-year-old Theda. She met and married Dick when she was one of his students, dropping out of school to become wife and mother.

Lianna has decided to return to school to finish her degree. In night school she meets and falls in love with her child psychology teacher, Ruth. Lianna, not pursuing the relationship with any romantic intentions, finds herself romantically and physically involved with Ruth.

Not realizing the consequences, Lianna tells her husband, Dick, who has just returned from yet another film festival, of her affair with Ruth. Dick throws her out of the house and separates her from her children. Her best friend Sandy avoids her, suddenly frightened by someone she has known.

Lianna must get on with her life, adjust to her new-found sexuality and find a job. She accomplishes all of this while new and different experiences begin to unravel. Her life begins to fall into place, she sees things differently, the confusion clears up. She tries to win back her children and the love of her best friend while facing the difficulty of her relationship with Ruth.

She begins to cultivate the emotions she has suppressed for so many years, and through this the self-discovery begins to emerge. She likes herself. She likes other women and begins to see them as who they are as opposed to the stereotypical images she has carried around.

Her relationship with Sandy, her best friend, comes to a standstill, but only temporarily. Sandy has difficulty understanding Lianna's relationship with Ruth. In fact, Sandy has trouble understanding lesbianism at all and doesn't feel comfortable relating to Lianna during her courtship with Ruth.

The images are strong and compelling, the performances well done. This film is a synthesis of acting and directing, resulting in the experience of self-discovery that occurs when coming out and being faced with the acceptance of one's own sexuality.

The movements and flow of a dance sequence near the end are symbolic in showing the turmoil in Lianna's own life with her relationship with Ruth and the struggle she has had dealing with her emotions.

"Lianna" is the story of a person maturing and learning to make her own choices, of a person trying to understand her sexuality and how it affects the people in her life. It is an outstanding film, a story that is told with much tenderness. It is very sensual, sensitive, and painfully realistic. ★

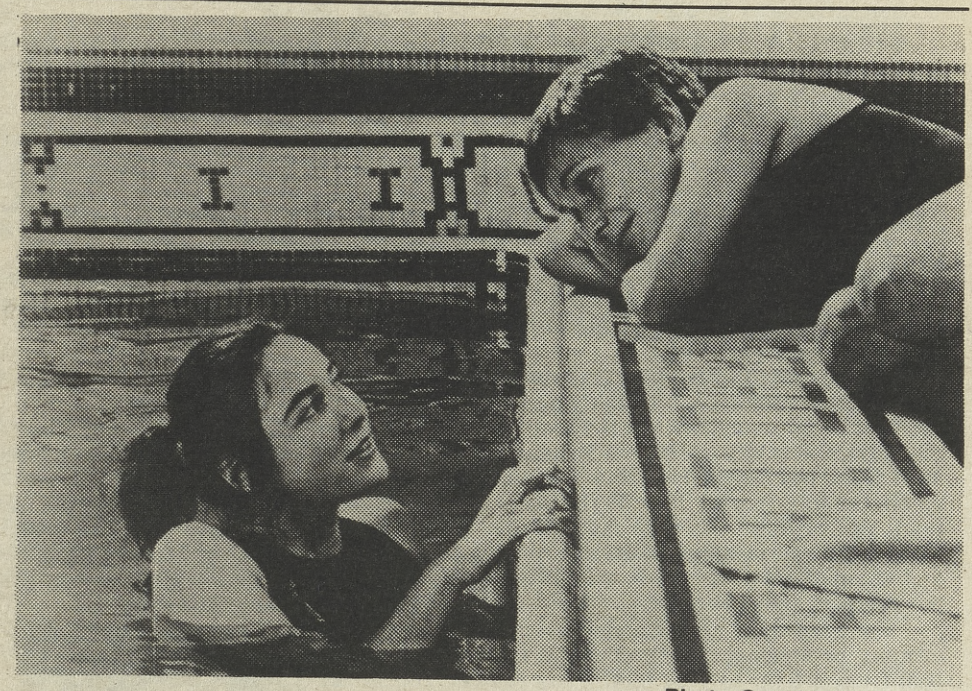


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Linda Griffiths as Lianna and Jane Halloran as Ruth enjoy a moment together in John Sayles' highly-acclaimed film about a woman's discovery of her lesbianism.

130th California State Fair Will Offer 18 Days Of Exhibits And Fun Aug. 19-Sept. 5

A full 18 days of top-name entertainment, carnival rides, exhibits, demonstrations, animals and fun is in store for the 130th birthday celebration of the California State Fair, Aug. 19 through Sept. 5, Labor Day, in Sacramento.

The 50th anniversary of parimutuel horse racing in California will also be commemorated with exacta wagering during the State Fair Horse Race Meet running Aug. 21 through Sept. 5.

A new focal point of the Fair's salute to agriculture is the Agri Fair '83 building. Exhibits here will showcase more than 20 of the state's commodities and the California State Fair Culinary Exposition and Wine Tasting, paving the way for a World's Agri Fair at the Cal Expo site in 1987.

An exciting display of Californians' best will be featured in Expo Center in four divisions of competition. "California Works" offers more than $14,000 in prizes for sculpture, water colors, fiber, photography and other media. State public school students will display their best shop crafts in the "Industrial Education" competition. California's blue ribbon baked goods and sewing crafts are spotlighted in the "California Living" home arts exhibit, and a spectacualr 6,000 square foot "Rainbow of Flowers" floriculture landscape will delight fairgoers.

Livestock fanciers will enjoy the 4-H, FFA and Open Livestock competitions that run daily during the Fair. The State Fair Rabbit, Pigeon and Poultry shows, successfully begun in 1982, will feature daily informative demonstrations in Expo Center. Children can welcome newborns to the livestock nursery, touch baby barnyard animals in the petting farm and ride ponies.

Hard bucking bulls and broncs will toss cowboys and cowgirls into the dirt at the Wild West Show and State Fair Rodeo. The Professional Rodeo Cowboys' Association recognized rodeo will run Aug. 19 through Aug. 28.

State Fair thrillseekers will get the best in carnival amusement with a wide selection of rides and the wet-and-wild water-slides at WaterWorld USA will give fairgoers the opportunity to cool off in an exciting way.

Admission price to the Fair is $7.95 for the pay-one-price general admission. This includes all of the carnival and WaterWorld USA slides, top name entertainment, arena events, exhibits and demonstrations. Senior citizens will be offered a $2—off discount ticket Monday through Friday and children four and under will be admitted free with an optional all-day midway, WaterWorld USA and arena event ticket available for $4. Racetrack tickets to enter only the grandstand area will be available for $5 daily.

For further information, call 924-2000. ★

Classics & Pops

Symphony Sets 1983-84 Season

By JAMES K. GRAHAM

The Sacramento Symphony has announced three series of programs for the 1983-84 season—the Master Series of symphonic classics and the Pops Concerts, both played in the Community Center Theatre, and the Chamber Orchestra concerts played in Hiram Johnson High School Auditorium.

The Symphony's Master Series of nine classical programs includes works by Johannes Brahms in honor of the 150th anniversary of his birth, and by Sir William Walton, commemorating his death earlier this year.

The Symphony will also perform major compositions by Bartok, Beethoven, Berlioz, Chopin, Dvorak, Haydn, Ives, Mendelssohn, Mozart, Rimsky-Korsakov, Strauss, and Tchaikovsky, as well as other pieces by Britten, Hovhaness, Paganini, Ravel, Rodrigo, and Vivaldi, and the world premiere of *Study for Orchestra IV* by American composer W. Jay Sydeman.

Guests on the Master Series will be violinists Ruggiero Ricci and Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, pianists Rudolf Firkusny and Ruth Laredo, guitarist Eliot Fisk, conductor Raymond Leppard, cellist Antonio Meneses, soprano Rebecca Cook, and tenor William Brown. Pianist Andre Watts will headline the fifth annual Symphony Gala benefit concert in April 1984.

The symphony season opens September 24. Ruggiero Ricci will play Paganini's Violin Concerto No. 2 on a program that also features Brahms' *Variations on a Theme of Haydn* and Bartok's *Concerto for Orchestra*. The program will be repeated on September 25.

On October 8 and 9, the *Roman Carnival* overture by Berlioz and Symphony No. 2 by Charles Ives will precede the Piano Concerto No. 1 by Brahms, played by Rudolf Firkusny.

Guitarist Eliot Fisk will play Vivaldi's Concerto in D Major and Rodrigo's *Concierto de Aranjuez* in the October 29-31 concerts. To these, the orchestra will add Mozart's Symphony No. 40 and Ravel's *Daphnis et Chloe* Suite No. 2.

English conductor Raymond Leppard will lead the symphony in the *Four Sea Interludes from Peter Grimes* by Benjamin Britten and Dvorak's *Symphonic Variations* in the concerts of November 19-21. Tchaikovsky Gold Medal winner Antonio Meneses will join the orchestra to play Haydn's Cello Concerto in C Major and Tchaikovsky's *Variations on a Rococo Theme*.

The program for January 7-9 consists of the Symphony No. 2, *The Mysterious Mountain*, by Armenian-American composer Alan Hovhaness; the Violin Concerto in E Minor by Mendelssohn, with soloist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg; and *Scheherazade* by Rimsky-Korsakov.

The world premiere of W. Jay Sydeman's *Study for Orchestra No. IV*, with the composer in attendance, highlights the January 28-29 concert pair. The program also includes the Symphony No. 82, *The Bear*, by Haydn, and the Symphony No. 7 by Dvorak.

The monumental *Requiem* by Hector Berlioz is the sole work on the program for February 25-27. William Brown is the tenor soloist; the chorus has not been announced.

Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 1, with Ruth Laredo as soloist, shares the March 17-19 concerts with Beethoven's Symphony No. 3, *Eroica*.

The season comes to a close on April 7 and 8 with concerts featuring soprano Rebecca Cook in the *Four Last Songs* by Richard Strauss. Walton's *Partita* and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5 complete the program.

The nine Master Series programs are played on Saturday evenings at 8:30 and Sunday afternoons at 3. Five of the programs are also performed at 8 p.m. on the following Monday.

In addition to season subscriptions for all nine concerts, five Sampler subscriptions are offered: four Saturdays or Sundays, five Saturdays or Sundays, or five Mondays. Sunday tickets cost less than Saturday tickets, and Monday tickets cost even less.

An All-Gershwin concert October 1 will kick off the series of five Pops concerts. The program, conducted by Music Director Carter Nice, will feature noted American pianist Leonard Pennario as soloist in *Rhapsody in Blue* and the Piano Concerto in F.

Other Pops concerts will feature the trumpet duo of Tyzik and Vizzutti on December 3, A Tribute to Arthur Fiedler led by Eric Knight on January 14, the bluegrass-playing McLain Family Band on March 3, and Judy Collins on May 5.

The four Chamber Orchestra concerts feature works that do not require the full resources of the complete orchestra. The Sacramento Symphony Chamber Orchestra is a group of about 40 core members of the Symphony that also tours Northern California, playing concerts in more remote cities.

The first Chamber Orchestra program, on November 4, consists of Stravinsky's *Pulcinella* Suite and Mozart's *Requiem*. Vocal soloists and choir for the Mozart have not been announced.

Pianist Paul Maillet, winner of the Sherman Clay Steinway Piano Competition, will be the soloist in Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 1 in the January 20 chamber concert. Also on the program will be *Verklarte Nacht* by Schoenberg and the Suites from *Facade* by Walton. On February 10, the third chamber concert will feature the Symphony's principal cellist, Neal Lo Monaco, playing Schumann's Cello Concerto. The *Funeral Music* by modern Polish composer Witold Lutoslawski and the Serenade No. 7, Haffner, by Mozart complete the program.

The *Divertimento-Burlesca* by Benjamin Lees, *Ma Mere L'Oye* by Ravel, *Quiet City* by Copland, and Symphony No. 2 by Schubert will make up the program for the final Chamber Orchestra concert on March 23.

All Chamber Orchestra concerts are played at 8:30 p.m. on Fridays.

Call the Symphony office, 973-0300 for information or to order your season tickets for any of the series. Single tickets will go on sale in early September. ★

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ITEMS

Film Festival

By RICK VAN DYKE

Now that all the parades, forums, open houses, and other events of Lesbian/Gay Freedom week are over, the calendar promises to be a bit less hectic—and it's a good thing. No one wants to be too energetic in the heat of a Sacramento summer.

The Star saluted the opening of the **Contemporary Gay Cinema** festival at the **Showcase Cinema** on June 19 with a reception for the Sacramento premiere of "**Lianna.**" Many thanks to **Bill Leveau** of **Buongustaio,** 2007 J St., for donating the delicious cheeses for the reception, and to all those who joined us to celebrate the first showing of "Lianna."

The gay and lesbian film festival continued Tuesday night, June 28 with "**Word Is Out**" and "**Squeeze,**" a highly-acclaimed film from New Zealand about a man caught in a squeeze between the man he loves and his fiancee. On July 5, two films about lesbian relationships, "**A Woman Like Eve,**" made in Holland, and "**The Love That Dare Not Speak Its Name,**" from England, will be shown. The festival concludes on July 12 with "**We Were One Man**" from France and "**The Consequence,**" made in Germany. The gay male hardcore film "**Three Day Pass,**" starring **J.W. King,** will be screened at midnight, Friday, July 1. The double bill of "**Eating Raoul**" and "**Come Back to the Five and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean**" plays earlier in the evening, but a separate admission is required for the midnight show.



Rick Van Dyke

The **Stanislaus Owl Empire** promises a "fun-filled evening of dancing" at its **Yankee Doodle Sweetheart Ball** from 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, July 2, at the Eagles Hall, 126 Camellia Way, Modesto. Half the proceeds will be donated to benefit the fight against Kaposi's Sarcoma. Tickets are $5 in advance and $6.50 at the door. For information or reservations, call (209) 521-0226 or (209) 521-9102, or write Stanislaus Owl Empire, P.O. Box 6272, Modesto, CA 95355.

"**Lesbians and Gay Men in Fiction**" will be the topic for the July 5 meeting of **Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.** Star editor **James Graham** will speak and lead the discussion. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in room 255 of the Carmichael Presbyterian Church, 5645 Marconi Ave.

The **UCD Medical Center** and the **AIDS/KS Foundation** have announced that a **Clinic for AIDS and Related Disorders** will be held every second and fourth Monday from 7 to 10 p.m. beginning July 11. The clinic is exclusively for the diagnosis, treatment, and clinical investigation of AIDS and related disorders. Priority will be given to individuals who have been referred by a physician or by **Norm Frohwein** of the AIDS/KS Foundation. After being referred, people can make clinic appointments by calling the Internal Medicine Clinic at the Med Center, 453-2737. Director of the AIDS Clinic is **Neil M. Flynn, M.D.** Co-directors are **Paul D. Hoeprich, M.D., Sandy Pomerantz, M.D.,** and **Harvey Thompson, M.D.** For more information about AIDS or the clinic, contact the AIDS/KS Foundation, 2115 J St., Suite 3, 95816; telephone 448-AIDS.

Look for the opening soon of **Scandals,** a new hard-liquor bar sharing the same building as **Bojangle's,** but with a separate entrance. The elegant antique lighting in the new bar comes from the old **Alhambra Theatre.**

Dignity/Sacramento will have a picnic in William Land Park after its monthly Mass on Sunday, July 12. Mass will be celebrated as usual at 3 p.m. in the side chapel at St. Francis Church, 26th and K St. The picnic will be a salad potluck, and the organization will have barbecued chicken and beer for sale. Dignity also has a **Day of Recollection** planned for Saturday, July 30, at private grounds in Forest Hill. The day will include liturgy, lunch, private quiet time, spiritual exercises, and a closing worship service. For more information, call Dignity at 739-8353.

"**The Oldest Living Graduate,**" a "warm, tender, often very funny play" by Preston Jones, is playing Friday and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m. through July 30 at the **Chautauqua Playhouse,** 25th and R Streets. **Bob Kelly** stars as World War I veteran Col. J.C. Kincaid, a cantankerous but lovable wheelchair-bound curmudgeon whose spirit remains unbowed even in the face of approaching death. For tickets or information, call 451-9604.

Stonewater Circle has issued a call to gay brothers to attend a spiritual full moon gathering in the mountains near San Diego July 21-25. The flyer says it's a "beautiful and airy retreat with swimming ponds, oak trees, splendid views, and places to explore. Expect hot days, an all-over tan, three delightful and varied vegetarian meals a day, and sleeping under the stars." Registration is due by July 1, it says, but call **Joe Balestreri** at 441-1959 for more information.

The **Sacramento Medical Foundation Blood Bank** sent letters to California State Senators recently in support of SB 910, **Senator David Roberti's** bill for AIDS research and education. Blood Bank business administrator **Rodney Johnson** wrote that "These urgently needed funds are vital to the health and well-being of our nation as well as our State."

Ren Reynolds, Regional Director of Kinship, would like to remind gay and lesbian Adventists that the fourth annual **Kinship Kampmeeting** will be held near Pottstown, Pa., August 7-14. **Barbara Gittings,** a gay rights activist for 25 years, will be the opening speaker. **Frank Scheuren,** president of Dignity/International; **Marsha Langford,** president of Integrity; and **Richard Hamilton, M.D.,** will conduct workshops. For more information about Kinship or the Kampmeeting, call Reynolds at 488-8488, or write SDA Kinship, P.O. Box 8222, Sacramento 95818.

The Sacramento chapter of the **AIDS/KS Foundation** is proudly participating in the **Shanti Project's $25,000 AIDS Emergency Sweepstakes** to raise money for support services for people with AIDS and for research. Tickets are $10 each—tax-deductible—and the Sacramento chapter gets $1 for each ticket sold in this area. First prize in the Sweepstakes is $25,000 cash. For information on how to get tickets, call the AIDS/KS Foundation at 448-AIDS.

If you're in the mood for music some evening, why not go on over to the **Blue Mango** at 330 G St. in Davis? Thursday through Sunday, they feature mostly local musicians from 9:30 till midnight, with no cover charge. You can catch jazz improvisation by **Bop:Be** July 1 and 10, tunes of the world from the **Yolo String Band** July 2, the acoustic guitar and vocals of **Robert Elliott** July 3, "music of the mind" by **Phantasy** July 7, **Blonde Street's** "original potpourri" July 8, and acoustic guitar and vocals by **Band of Gold** July 9.

Sacramento novelist and book reviewer **Joyce Bright** is covering the **National Women's Studies Conference** for The Star. Look for her report in July.

Mark your calendar now for the **California State Fair,** the last big event of the summer in Sacramento. This year the fair runs from August 19 through Labor Day, September 5, at Cal Expo.★



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On The Beach

Despite the still-high water of the American River, determined sun-seekers can find dry places for catching a few rays on the sand at the North Tenth Street beach.

Lesbian And Gay Jews Set 8th World Conference August 4-7

The 8th International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews will be held in Miami, Florida, August 4 through 7, 1983.

The word "Miami" when transliterated into Hebrew, becomes "Mi-Ami" and means "Who Are My People?" This fortunate coincidence provides a theme for the conference, which asks, "Who Are My People?"—as Jews, as gays and lesbians, and as responsible adults.

This year's conferees will be afforded the opportunity to participate in new, creative workshops, led by authorities from both South Florida and the world. "The Future of the Gay/Lesbian Jew in the Brave New World," tradition — The Glue That Keeps Us Together," and "Do Your Parents Know Where You Are?" are just some of the topics to be covered.

A full schedule of religious services is planned, including Friday night Shabbat dinner and services to be held at Temple Israel of Greater Miami, and Havdallah Saturday night under the stars. Additional special services have also been scheduled for Saturday morning.

The South Florida Gay and Lesbian communities will be going all out to make visitors welcome. Special events at the conference site, discounts and parties throughout town, and post Conference tours, make this the perfect starting point for a summer vacation.

With Miami's easy accessibility to Europe and Latin America, and special summer rates, more international participation is expected than ever before.

Sign up early, as registration is limited. For registration information, contact: The 8th International Conference Committee, 19094 West Dixie Highway, North Miami Beach, Florida 33180.★

Health Dept Says New AIDS Statistics For State Show Effects Of Earlier Reporting

Cases of AIDS have doubled in California so far this year compared to 1982, but the number of deaths from the disease is relatively unchanged, according to statistics from the Health Services Department.

The figures, released by Senate President Pro Tem David Roberti's office, said there have been 171 new cases and 32 deaths from Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome in California in the first five months of 1983.

In the first six months of 1982, 97 new cases and 36 deaths were reported, the department said, with 85 cases and 27 deaths in the last six months of that year.

In all of 1981, 45 cases and 18 deaths were reported.

Dr. Irena Heindl, a public health officer for the department, said June 22 that the apparent decline in the death rate this year is misleading.

She said many of the deaths were in cases that were first reported last year. The lower ratio of deaths to new cases probably reflects only that cases are being reported earlier now.★

The Sacramento Lesbian and Gay Freedom Week Committee thanks the following for their contributions to this year's celebration

"COMING OUT '83"

AIDS/KS Foundation, Sacramento; Animal House Call Service; Bob Austin; Alan Chamberlin; Continental Motel; James Cook; Ruth Flanoy; Great Northwest Imperial Empire; Boyce Hinman; Lisa Katz; Terry Lyon; Mercantile Saloon; Mom Guess What! The Power Plant; Jeff Ramos, River City Business Association; River City Democratic Club; The Sacramento Star; Gloria Sloan; Archie Washington; and Mark Whisler & Associates.

1984 Freedom Week June 9-16, Parade June 16

CALENDAR

Wednesday, June 29

★ The STAR is published.

★ Sacramento KS/AIDS Foundation board meeting. Public welcome. 2115 J Street, Suite 3. 7 p.m.

★ Rap group for the "Worried Well." Led by Marty Rogers, Ph.D. AIDS/KS Foundation office, 2115 J St., Suite 3. 7:30 p.m. For info, call 448-AIDS.

★ Sacramento Men's Collective open rap. La Semilla. 7:30 p.m. Call 441-1959 for information.

Thursday, June 30

★ Volleyball for men and women. $2. Women's Gym, Sac City College. 7-11 p.m. Call Paul, 447-1065, for information.

Friday, July 1

★ River City Democratic Club meeting and potluck. Senior Citizens Center, 27th & J St. 6:30 p.m.

★ Sacramento Premiere of "Three Day Pass," an X-rated gay male film. Sponsored by The Sacramento Star. Showcase Cinema, 412 L St. Midnight. (Follows "Come Back to the Five and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean" at 7:40 p.m. and "Eating Raoul" at 9:45; separate admission required.)

Saturday, July 2

★ Our River City Family potluck. Call Rob, 962-3083, or Paul, 447-1065, for place. 7 p.m.

Sunday, July 3

★ Worship Service. Young people's rap & social hour afterwards. River City Metropolitan Community Church, 2741 34th Street. 454-4762. 11 a.m.

★ Chrysalis Neighborhood Church worship service. 3700 Y Street. 6 p.m. 736-0113 or 453-0791 for information.

Monday, July 4

★ Independence Day.

★ Picnic sponsored by Sacramento County Democratic Party and Friends of Rick Castro. Tickets $5 from River City Democratic Club members; call 381-3115 for info. McKinley Park, McKinley at Alhambra. Noon-7 p.m.

★ GNIE Bingo. Mercantile Saloon. 8 p.m.

★ Our River City Family council. 8 p.m. Call Paul, 447-1065, for place.

Tuesday, July 5

★ Capital City Squares. The Power Plant. 7 p.m. Call 786-2708 for more information.

★ Star Editor James K. Graham speaks on "Gays and Lesbians in Fiction."-Discussion. Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. Carmichael Presbyterian Church, 5645 Marconi. Room 255. 7 p.m.

★ GNIE. Incredible Edible. 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 6

★ Deadline for The STAR.

★ NOW Lesbian Rights Task Force meets. Call June, 786-5727 for location. 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 7

★ Volleyball for men and women. $2. Women's Gym, Sac City College. 7-11 p.m. Call Paul, 447-1065, for information.

★ Gay Softball. Fighting Irish vs. Tray, in Sacramento. Call 448-2000 for time and place.

Saturday, July 9

★ SDA Kinship Potluck. 455-8940 for information.

Sunday, July 10

★ Worship Service. Young people's rap & social hour afterwards. River City Metropolitan Community Church, 2741 34th Street. 454-4762. 11 a.m.

★ Central Valley Gay Softball League. Wreck Room vs Brave Bull, Parking Lot vs. Express. 21st & C St. Noon and 2 p.m.

★ Gay Softball. Fighting Irish vs. Googies, in San Francisco. Call 448-2000 for time and place.

★ Dignity Mass/meeting. St. Francis Church, 26th & K St. 3 p.m. Picnic afterward, William Land Park.

★ Chrysalis Neighborhood Church worship service. 3700 Y Street. 6 p.m. 736-0113 or 453-0791 for information.

Monday, July 11

★ River City Business Association. General meeting open to the public. 8 p.m.

Tuesday, July 12

★ Capital City Squares. The Power Plant. 7 p.m. Call 786-2708 for more information.

★ Advocates for Lesbian and Gay State Employees. Incredible Edible. 6 p.m.

★ Lymph Node Syndrome Support Group. AIDS/KS Foundation, 2115 J St., Suite 3. 448-AIDS for info. 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 13

★ The STAR is published

★ Sacramento Men's Collective open rap. La Semilla. 7:30 p.m. Call 441-1959 for information.

★ Rap group for the "Worried Well." Led by Marty Rogers, Ph.D. AIDS/KS Foundation office, 2115 J St., Suite 3. 7:30 p.m. For info, call 448-AIDS.

Thursday, July 14

★ Volleyball for men and women. $2. Women's Gym, Sac City College. 7-11 p.m. Call Paul for information, 447-1065.

Sunday, July 17

★ Worship Service. Young people's rap & social hour afterwards. River City Metropolitan Community Church, 2741 34th Street. 454-4762. 11 a.m.

★ Chrysalis Neighborhood Church worship service. 3700 Y Street. 6 p.m. 736-0113 or 453-0791 for information.

★ Central Valley Gay Softball League: Wreck Room vs. Parking Lot. 21st & C. 12 noon.

★ Women In Dignity potluck. Call Alberta, 443-8084 (days) for time and place.

Tuesday, July 19

★ Capital City Squares. The Power Plant. 7 p.m. Call 786-2708 for more information.

★ Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Rap Group. Facilitated by Valerie Winn and Will Green. Geneva Room, Fremont Presbyterian Church, H St. at Carlson Drive. 7:30 p.m.

★ Lymph Node Syndrome Support Group. AIDS/KS Foundation, 2115 J St., Suite 3. 448-AIDS for info. 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 20

★ Deadline for The STAR.

★ Sacramento Men's Collective business meeting. LaSemilla, 312 20th St. 7:30 p.m. Call 441-1959 for information.

Thursday, July 21

★ Volleyball for men and women. $2. Women's Gym, Sac City College. 7-11 p.m. Call Paul for information, 447-1065.

Sunday, July 24

★ Worship Service. Young people's rap & social hour afterwards. River City Metropolitan Community Church, 2741 34th Street. 454-4762. 11 a.m.

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"You hear different things on how you can catch [AIDS]. Some people even say you can catch it if you're in the same room as someone with AIDS or your resistance is down. It frightens people," said police spokesman Sgt. Mike Pera.

The department claimed that the measures are aimed at preventing the spread of a number of diseases, including hepatitis and tuberculosis. AIDS, however, was admitted to be the biggest concern.

Rick Crane, program director for the San Francisco KS Foundation, opposed the move. "The purchase of masks and gloves frightens people even more. It just creates a general sense of fear in dealing with gay people."

Crane went on to note that there isn't any evidence that police or fire officials would be exposed to AIDS in the line of duty in any neighborhood. Studies have also shown that health workers don't contract AIDS from their patients.★

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10	11	12	13	14	15	16 POOL TOURNAMENT
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